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## FRANK OLIVER'S APPOINTMENT.

Of all the recent acts of the Dominion Government the appointment of Frank Oliver as Minister of the Interior is the most significant. Under ordinary circumstances he would have been the last man to have been selected.

He established his reputation in politics as a "kicker." He belonged for some time to the independent wing of the Western Liberals composed of R. L. Richardson, Joseph Martin, himself and a certain following. He was a strong opponent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, its monopoly and freedom from taxation. He was strongly in favor of Government ownership of railways. He was an unrelenting opponent of separate schools, hierarchical influence, and restriction of Provincial rights. He was everything which Sir Wilfrid Laurier is not now. All his former principles he has thrown to the wild winds of the prairies in order to satisfy an ambition for office, which he affected of yore to despise.

Mr. Oliver is not without ability, but there were at least three other men who, ordinarily speaking, would have had the preference. Hon. Clifford Sifton is a man of great ability, and was, in the Liberal press, prominently heralded on all occasions as the "Young Napoleon of the West." Why did he not go back to office? He resigned presumably as a protest against the original separate school proposals of Sir Wilfrid Laurier; but he came back into the fold and supported the clauses in a modified form. From his own statement that was the only point of difference between himself and the Premier or his colleagues. Why then, when his return could have been effected within thirty days, without a new election, did he not go back? It means that he dared not and that his resignation was due to other causes than were ostensibly put forward. It means that the charges against his administration of the Yukon are too true. There may be other reasons, but there is no doubt that there were ugly issues of office to face.

Then again there was Thos. Greenway, for many years Premier of Manitoba, an able and practical man, though not brilliant. As a staunch Liberal, as a man who stood as the champion of Manitoba rights and as one who, for a time at least, was a popular idol of the farmers of the Northwest, he had ten claims to one as against Mr. Oliver.

When Mr. Sifton resigned, it was generally conceded that Walter Scott, of Regina, would succeed him. He is a young man of more than average ability and though not so long in politics his course has been consistent while that of Mr. Oliver has been eccentric and wobbling. In addition to that he would have been practically the unanimous choice of the Liberals of the Northwest. Why then was he not selected?

The answer is plain. There was no constituency in Manitoba or the Northwest, where a candidate was available for the position, in which a supporter of the Government could have been elected on the school question, except the peculiar one for which Mr. Oliver stands. The mixed character of the population, in which there is a majority of Catholics, and the fact that Edmonton has been selected, pro tem, as the capital of the new Province of Alberta, and the way in which it is affected by the incoming railways, are wholly in his favor. He is peculiarly the product of circumstances, to which he will owe his election, if returned, rather than to any individual claims for preferment.

## THE CRISIS AT OTTAWA.

That the political situation at Ottawa is very much more serious than seems to be understood in this Province, is evident from an editorial in the Toronto Globe, hitherto the principal mouthpiece of the Liberal Government, which speaks as follows:

"The situation at Ottawa is to the last degree critical. To deny its criticalness is to misunderstand its character. To regard it as a passing incident which will be forgotten within nine days of the vote is to misjudge the quality and temper of the convictions and prejudices on both sides of the controversy. The warring and irreconcilable elements in the situation and the peril of the outcome creates a very real and very serious crisis."

Nothing but an acute condition of affairs would justify the Globe in assuming what may be regarded as an exceedingly sensational attitude.

That all this might have been easily avoided must be evident to any disinterested observer of Canadian affairs and the sequel simply goes to show that even clever statesmen like Sir Wilfrid Laurier do not always take to heart the obvious lessons of history, even the history of their own times. In 1896 he captured the Province of Quebec in defiance of the hierarchy, who went to the length of imposing the support of Conservative candidates as a religious duty. His success proved that the rank and file of the French-Canadian, though Catholic in all their instincts, are not led by the clergy. They gave their allegiance to Sir Wilfrid

because he was a Frenchman and not because he was a Catholic.

The same would have been true in 1905 had it been necessary for Sir Wilfrid Laurier to go again to the country with a policy of non-interference of Provincial rights in the matter of separate schools, and whatever would have been the demands of the clergy or the threats of Mgr. Sharrett. It is not probable that the school question would have altered the complexion of half a dozen constituencies at the outside, whereas in the rest of Canada his policy would have swept the country.

As it is, Sir Wilfrid Laurier has neither conciliated one side nor satisfied the other. The modifications of the Autonomy Bill, as at present before the House, still contain a vicious principle of interference with the rights of the Provinces to deal with their schools subject to the restrictions of the Act of Confederation, a principle which is objectionable to the great majority of the people of Canada. On the other hand, they do not go nearly far enough to suit the views of the Quebec hierarchy, in whose opinion they fall short of the British North America Act itself in protecting the interests of the minority. The separate schools therein provided for are to them a mere shadow of their wishes. This is clearly evident from a sermon preached by Mgr. Cloutier, Bishop of Three Rivers. From the following extract our readers can form their own conclusions:

"The original bill was very far from assuring the Catholic children that Christian teaching to which they are entitled. The amended bill now before the House gives, it is true, separate schools, but the teaching will be almost neutral in practice. The teaching, as a matter of fact, can only be done in English, and the half-hour of catechism after school is only a decoy, and calls in no way satisfy the proper formation of Catholic children. The Confederation Act certainly assures us more than that, or Catholics would never have consented to form a party to it. We may ask, in fact, what will become of the Confederation should such a measure become law?"

The amendment which hands over to the new provinces the absolute control of their schools is not acceptable to Catholics. We must have federal legislation that will guarantee to the minority the right to have schools of their own teaching, both as regards religion and language. The object which a certain number of people have in view of establishing so-called national schools tends to stamp with the same imprint every citizen of the country. Now, this fusion of races, as far as the French-Canadians are concerned, is a renouncing of their provincial mission. Our duty for the moment is to live alongside our English fellow-citizens, respecting their rights, but forcing them, as the occasion may require, to respect ours. It is, therefore, the imperative duty of all Catholics to work courageously to obtain confessional schools for the two new provinces, and not to yield till we have full and ample justice.

## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

What's in a name? That is a question the aldermen are asking themselves with reference to the proposed changes in street nomenclature. Why sacrifice "Belcher" for "Rockland"? Why obliterate "Bellot street" in "Burdette avenue"? Why is "Kane"—after the wandering artist—to be consigned to the limbo of "Broughton"? Why is the romantic and hallowed "Birds-eye walk" to be obliterated by the substitution of the prosaic and commercial "Government street"? Why should history and poetry which, as the oldest and most picturesque city in the Province, form part of its many charms, be eliminated from the civic signboards? Sentiment is the best part of a nation's capital. Take sentiment, tradition and the picturesque away from our corporate assets, and you have dead, cold-blooded commercial drab, in which are no living seeds of inspiration or enthusiasm. What's in a name? Not much to the mind of steele reason; but more great deeds have been done on account of the sentiment which a name inspires than for all the wealth the world ever had. So in small things as in great, in municipal matters as in national affairs, let's preserve what is pleasant of memory in the past. We plead for the historic names, monuments to brave men.

## THE DEMAND FOR HORSES.

The Toronto Mail and Empire says that a great impetus will be given to horse-raising in Canada should cavalry remount stations be established here on account of Major-General Benson's visit. The Honorable the Imperial Minister of Agriculture is alive to the importance of the matter and is willing to do what he properly can should the Dominion authorities fail to move in the matter.

Despite the introduction of steam and electric modes of transportation, of the bicycle and the automobile, there never was so great a demand for good horses of all grades as there is at the present time. It does not make so much difference what the breed is so long as they are sound, in good fettle, and adapted for some special or general service.

The establishment of remount stations in Canada would naturally increase the demand for horses of a certain class, and this is a matter of importance to British Columbia, inasmuch as many parts of the interior are well adapted for horse-raising. Of course, to take advantage of the market thus opened, attention would have to be paid to the improvement of the breed and for this purpose certain types will have to be kept in view.

During the South African war 14,000 Canadian-bred horses were bought, but five or six times this number would have been purchased had they been available. Seventy-five thousand horses were purchased from the United States and large numbers from Argentina, Australia and other countries. In England, we are told, only 17,000 horses were available although, before the war, it was estimated there were 3,000,000 in the country. It has been a common

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misapprehension, says the Mail and Empire, that the ordinary horse, too heavy for speed and too light for strength made the ideal army horse. The ideal cavalry horse, it states, is a good horse, and a good horse, like a good man, is good for anything. He must be sound and strong and swift, easy of gait, and adaptable to new conditions. Stallions, unmanageable cribbiters, wind suckers, rabbit mouthed, capped elbows, damaged knees, or horses with injured or deficient teeth are all barred, as well as animals under four or over six years old. Whites and greys are only required for special purposes, while light or washy colored horses are not accepted. Black horses are required for the Household Cavalry, but any pronounced colors, such as bays, sorrels or chestnuts, are in favor. It is not decided what will be the probable price, but that will depend, of course, upon the supply that is available. It is estimated that about 5,000 horses will be required annually. These will not all be bought in Canada, but the number to be purchased here will depend upon the success with which the true type of horse is reached. In times of war the demand would be greatly augmented. In addition to that, Japan will probably in the future be a considerable buyer, and with our friendly relations with the Japanese Empire and our contiguity with that country, our chances are good for securing a profitable market there.

British Columbia and the Northwest should, therefore, place themselves in a position to meet the demand, and for this purpose should carefully study army requirements.

## HARBOR COMMISSIONERS.

As our readers are aware the question of the appointment of a Board of Harbor Commissioners for the City of Victoria has been agitated for some time, and when Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, was in Victoria last fall he was interviewed on the subject and promised to give the recommendation effect. In this connection he suggested the preparation of a bill, crystallizing the views of the Board of Trade and formulating their requirements, and its passing would have favorable consideration.

A committee was formed, as the result of an unanimous vote, from members of the Board of Trade for the purpose. Instead, however, of framing a bill, as instructed, the committee came to the conclusion that a Board of Harbor Commissioners would not best serve shipping interests of Victoria, and, as a consequence, at the meeting of the Board of Trade held yesterday afternoon, a motion was passed rescinding the original resolution in favor of such appointment. The motion was the cause of vigorous discussion.

While, on the face of it, the Board placed itself in a somewhat inconsistent position, the reasons for the change of mind seem to be sound. Briefly stated, they are about as follows:

It was proposed to give the Board of Harbor Commissioners jurisdiction in respect to steamboat inspection. This would bring the Harbor Commissioners into conflict with the Dominion Board of Inspection.

Five men appointed as Harbor Commissioners would necessarily have less influence in making recommendations to the Dominion Government than the whole Board of Trade.

The Dominion Government would use the Board of Harbor Commissioners as a buffer between itself and the Board of Trade, and there would be constant friction between the two bodies.

There were no complaints being made as to the lack of harbor facilities, which were adequate in every sense for present requirements.

The objection raised to the course of action adopted was to the effect that the Board having made a unanimous request to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries for the appointment of a Board of Harbor Commissioners it should stand by it. Otherwise it would stand in an unfavorable light at Ottawa as not knowing its own mind for long.

The obvious answer to that was made that, if, upon more mature consideration, they had it, it was discovered that the Board was mistaken, it was better to acknowledge its mistake and adopt the proper course by withdrawing from its original position.

Might it not be justifiable, in the circumstances, to refer to Mgr. Sharrett's proposal to the Manitoba Government re separate schools as a papal "bull"?

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**INCOME.**  
The total income was \$1,725,308.90, being \$1,373,364.69 for premiums and \$351,944.21 for interest. The gain over 1903 was \$164,238.87.

**DISBURSEMENTS.**  
The payments to policy-holders amounted to \$524,615.34, and consisted of: Death Claims, \$220,304.50; Endowments, \$160,053; Purchased Policies, \$52,394.54; Surplus, \$83,183.40; and Annuities, \$8,679.90. The claims by death were exceptionally light, being \$51,404 less than previous year, and only 41 per cent. of the amount expected.

**EXPENSE AND TAXES.**  
The expenses and taxes were \$300,807, being 17.4 per cent. of the total income, or about 1 per cent. less than in 1903.

**ASSETS.**  
The cash assets are \$7,794,698.35 and the total assets \$8,220,530.45, showing gains of \$905,450.05 and \$937,372.05, respectively. The funds are being invested in the same classes of securities as heretofore, principally in mortgage loans on farms and city properties, bonds and municipal debentures. The latter are taken into account at their book value or cost, which is considerably below their market value. The demand for money was active during the year, at better rates than for some years past, resulting in a slight advance in the rate of interest earned, viz., 5.09 per cent. Interest, etc., overdue at end of year, only \$13,740.19, and nearly all paid.

**LIABILITIES.**  
The liabilities were again computed on the Combined Experience Table, with 4 per cent. interest for all business up to January 1st, 1900. From that date to January 1st, 1903, on the Institute of Actuaries' Table with 3 1/2 per cent., and thereafter on the same table with 3 per cent. Reserve, \$7,355,172.24. Other liabilities, \$83,285.34.

**SURPLUS.**  
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Temperance Legion meets this afternoon  
at 2:30 in the Y. M. C. A. hall. A good  
programme has been prepared and a cor-  
dial invitation is extended to all who  
are interested in juvenile temperance  
work to attend.

Social and Concert—A very enjoyable  
social and concert was given by the Loy-  
al True Blue Association in A. O. U. W.  
hall yesterday evening, the attendance  
being large and the programme an excel-  
lent one. Refreshments were served  
during the evening and generally a very  
happy time spent.

School Board Vacancy—A lively and  
interesting contest is promised at the by-  
election to be held to fill the vacancy on  
the school board created by the resigna-  
tion of Dr. Bolton. H. H. Jones yester-  
day announced his intention of being a  
candidate; so there are now three al-  
ready in the field—the gentleman just  
mentioned, and Wm. McKay and P. J.  
J. J. Jones. The campaign will be of brief  
duration, however, as the returning offi-  
cer has set the nominations for the 25th  
inst. and polling on the 28th.

About Street Names—In connection  
with the statement which appeared in  
the press to the effect that Ald. Ford  
would ask for a revision of the report  
of the street naming committee, Ald.  
Hanna says that he has been assured by  
many people that such a course would  
be decidedly objectionable. In respect  
to the feeling in James Bay over the  
changing of the name of Budge Walk  
to that of Government street, Ald. Han-  
na says many residents along that thorough-  
fare have expressed disapproval  
of the change. In regard to the state-  
ment that the name Belcher has been  
entirely obliterated from the list of street  
names, the same alderman says that it  
is entirely wrong to assume that such  
has been done, as the name "Belcher  
avenue" is still in existence.

Going to Portland—Two enterprising  
and energetic residents of Victoria are  
going to take in the big Portland ex-  
position this summer for the period of one  
week without the trip costing them one  
cent as far as the actual expenses go.  
These two are to take this enjoyable  
holiday at the expense of the Colonist,  
and in return are to loan to the Colonist  
before the last day of June next the  
largest number of paid-up subscriptions  
in the Colonist "subscription-getting"  
contest. When the fortunate ones will  
be, of course no one knows at present,  
but some one must win, and the prizes,  
of course, will go to those who work the  
hardest and most energetically. Any  
person desiring to enter the contest may  
obtain list books and full particulars on  
application at the business office of the  
Colonist.

Chief Langley Explains—As there  
are usually two sides to every story,  
it is in order to present today Chief  
of Police Langley's version of the ac-  
tion taken by the police with respect  
to the Chinese woman, Sue Hing, dur-  
ing her detention here on the charge  
of embezzlement originating in Port-  
land. The criticism upon the police  
action, which was yesterday, No. 5  
order of court requiring the production  
of the prisoner before a judge of the Su-  
preme court was ever made, says the  
chief, although application had been  
made to Mr. Justice Duff for a warrant  
of arrest, which was by him issued.  
It was correct that access to the pris-  
oner had been denied the matron of the  
Refuge Home, and this was quite  
within the discretion of the police.  
Afterwards, during the trial of the  
woman from Portland, the woman de-  
cided that she would waive extradi-  
tion, and the complexion of the case  
was altered. The intention not to fight  
a return to the States was communi-  
cated to Mr. Langley, her counsel,  
through an interpreter. As for the  
allowance of the woman out of  
custody at the request of Tai Yuen-  
t'ai Yuen and Mong Kow had assumed  
the obligation of the indemnity bond  
required by the Canadian customs. B.  
Langley and he (the chief) could see  
no objection to the woman going with  
her countryman if she so desired.

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A Rumor—According to some of the  
Mainland papers there is a rumor cur-  
rent in political circles to the effect that  
Mr. J. C. Brown of that city, formerly  
mayor and member of the legislature,  
and who was in Joseph Martin's short-  
lived cabinet, will be given the post of  
Lieut.-Governor of the province. The  
retirement of Sir Henri Joly de Lotbini-  
ere.

Business Change—The partnership  
heretofore existing between Thos. Stock-  
ham and Walter T. Dawley, carrying on  
an hotel and general store business at  
Clayoquot, Ahousait and Nootka, under  
the name and style of Stockham & Daw-  
ley, has been dissolved, as from April 11  
Mr. Dawley will continue the business  
in his own name.

The Manufacturers—On Monday even-  
ing at 8 o'clock a general meeting of  
the Victoria branch of the B. C. Manu-  
facturers' Association will be held at the  
Board of Trade rooms. Among the busi-  
ness to be considered is the organizing  
committee's report, nomination and elec-  
tion of officers, appointment of commit-  
tees and the resolution to the Dominion  
government opposing the petition of cas-  
tles manufacturers.

Calvary Social—There was a merry  
gathering of friends at Calvary Baptist  
schoolroom on Thursday evening,  
when a social was given, with an ex-  
cellent musical and literary pro-  
gramme, to which the following con-  
tributed: Piano solo, Miss B. Westwood;  
vocal duet, Miss M. Freeman and B.  
Middleton; piano solo, Gladys Rogers;  
recitation, Miss B. Westwood; quar-  
tette, Misses Andrews and Freeman,  
B. Middleton and C. Purden. Rev. J.  
F. Vichet presided and during the  
evening gave a brief address. Refre-  
shments were served.

More Improvements—Steve Jones,  
proprietor of the Dominion, is living up  
to his reputation as one of the most  
enterprising hotelmen on the Pacific  
coast, his latest move in keeping ahead  
of the profession being the undertaking  
of more extensive improvements in  
connection with his already up-to-date  
hostelry. Besides a complete renovat-  
ing process now in progress at the Do-  
minion, a number of workmen have  
started the construction of an addi-  
tional room for use as a private office  
for the proprietor, the repapering of  
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fice and the carpeting of every room  
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pleted in time to accommodate the big  
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## SPORTING NEWS.

The Victoria Baseball Club landed a prize yesterday. Helme Heilmueller, the tall and clever pitcher, who played for the University of California with Overall, now a bright star of National League ball, when the college team played the amateurs in 1902, was secured by Manager Howlett. A telegram was received from Heilmueller yesterday, in answer to one offering him a contract. His acceptance will give the locals a good pitching staff, consisting of Heilmueller, the star, Galski of Bellflower and Blackburn and Jimmy Holness of Victoria, both talented twirlers.

For two seasons Heilmueller was captain of the nine of the University of California. When the Coast League teams began to make ready for this season, several managers sought Heilmueller—San Francisco was especially desirous of securing the big pitcher—but he gave out to the University of California. However, it seems that he was induced to pitch a game for the San Francisco league team under an assumed name. This fact became known to the faculty of the University of California, with the result that Heilmueller was informed that he could no longer play with the university amateurs.

It is but a few days since Heilmueller left the amateurs, and the eagle eyes of the managers of the International League fell upon the newspaper announcement. Dugdale of Vancouver liked him straight away to California to sign the pitcher, but the wire carried a message from Howlett, which beat the train by a considerable margin—and Dugdale will have his trip for naught.

The catching staff of the locals will consist of McManus and Steele. McManus last season caught for the local amateur team. He is considered a first class catcher, and has often been invited to sign with league teams. Having had a season's experience with Holness and Blackburn, he will be a considerable help to the local pitchers. The other catcher, Steele, who has been playing in California and comes well recommended.

Eddie Ford is the first of the players to report. He is now here. All are expected to be here by the middle of next week. The infield will be made up of Ed Hutcherson on first, Eddie Ford on second, and Howlett on third, with Bert Owens of Fresno, who was held by Tacoma for a time to fill Truck Egan's place had he decided not to play with the Tigers, as short stop. In the outfield, George Burnes will play in his old place at Centre, one of the pitching staff in the right field, and a star left fielder is expected to be signed shortly.

**Colonists Organize**  
In past seasons the Colonist has been heard from on the baseball diamond, and this season will be no exception. Yesterday the Colonist employees foregathered and organized a baseball team to uphold the colors of the newspaper and affiliated enterprises controlled by the Colonist Printing & Publishing Co. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, A. G. Saragison, managing director of the company; vice-president, T. B. McCabe,

superintendent; secretary-treasurer, J. Scott, foreman of the bookbinding department. The team will be captained by H. Saragison, of the press room of the Colonist. It is expected that a good nine will be put in the field, and all ball players of business houses are heartily called upon to moor their sculps securely, for the Colonist nine is seeking games—and sculps.

**Spoiled Record**  
The Tacoma nine fell upon the pitching curve of James Whalen of San Francisco on Thursday and spoiled his chance of breaking the world's record for consecutive innings of shut-out ball. Whalen was within striking distance of a world's record. Jack Chesbro, the famous American League twirler, who is the master of the "split" curve, has pitched forty-eight consecutive innings without a single run being made against him. This is said to be the record. Until Thursday's Waterloo, Whalen had pitched forty-six innings without a run crossing the plate on him. While he lost Thursday, Jimmy achieved a sensational feat. It should be remembered that the San Francisco pitcher started out by blanking the Chicago National League club. This was no easy thing to do. Then followed Whalen's double-headed victory over Seattle. While this was a creditable performance, his pitching against the hard-hitting Giants from Portland on Thursday of last week, when he shut McCreedie's men out, allowed them but two hits. Not a Giant reached second base, and twenty-one batters faced Whalen before a hit was made off his delivery. Charley Hall's no hit and no run game, which he pitched against Oakland last week, was the only exhibition that surpassed it. Whalen's second victory over Portland Sunday is fresh in the minds of the fans. He had Portland's hard sluggers at his mercy at all stages. Such a record as this would hardly have been possible last year, as the Seals are a different sort of aggregation this year.

Manager Dugdale of Bellingham has already eighteen men under contract, and is now on his way to California looking up more material to choose his team from.

Wm. ("Billy") Hulen, who is managing the Everett nine, has signed Walter Prince as catcher and Mackay for short. Both players have been seen here, the former with Everett and the latter with Whatcom, during the past two seasons.

The schedule will be drawn up on the 20th of the present month at Vancouver, where a meeting of the directors of the league will be held.

**ASSO FOOTBALL** C-W..h

**Ladysmith's Record**

The Ladysmith Association football team are all in excellent humor—when they are not thinking of their last game with the Garrison team—over the results of their season's play. They have played six games, won five, and lost one. They have scored 23 goals and had only seven registered against them. Arrangements are now under way for games with the Celtics of Vancouver, for home and away matches. The next game will be the semi-final with Nanaimo on the 22nd of this month, when Nanaimo will journey down to the smelter

town to add to the scores against Ladysmith's record for the season.

**Inter-Islands Match**  
On Saturday last a football match was played between Mayne Island and Pender Island, and after a well contested game Mayne Island won by 2 goals to nil.

**CHESS.**

London, April 14.—This evening the cable chess match was again postponed. It will be played April 15 to April 17, if a cable is available.

**AQUATICS.**

**The Bays and the Celebration**

To the Sporting Editor:  
Sir—In your issue of the 31st ultimo, under the caption of "Victoria Day Suggestions," you refer in terms to this association by the use of the statement: "The boys have obtained too much of late years that there must be so many prizes." And so many for a certain coterie of young oarsmen who are sufficiently well represented in the management committee to carry their point, and that of the 24th of May prizes somewhat in the light of a subsidy for their activity in aquatic sports, and the money is therefore devoted to them in defiance of what should be the meaning of your action in permitting such severe reflection to be made.

It is a well known fact that the J. B. A. A. holds the championship in aquatics for the province, and for that of the N. B. A. A. G. and has a very strong hold on the good feelings of our citizens, which is very much appreciated by us.

The celebration committee have always invited the J. B. A. A. to take charge of the amateur portion of the regatta programme, a position never sought by this association. On a certain memorable occasion there would have been no one to manage the regatta had not the J. B. A. A. come to the rescue.

Our boys have always been willing, as the regatta committee well know, to run for inexpensive trophies, and have never asked for a monetary portion to be appropriated for their special benefit, and have always done their best to help make the regatta a grand success.

Such action as you have contemplated might serve to prevent people from assisting in the celebration, but not so with this association, which will always be found staunch supporters of and active participants in, aquatic and athletic sports for the benefit of the public.

H. DALLAS HELMCKEN,  
President J. B. A. A.

**CRICKET.**

To the Sporting Editor:

Sir—I notice in today's paper you state that the bowling of the English team is not doing as formerly. I strongly dispute the fact and mention the following

professionals: George Hirst, W. Phoenix, S. Haigh, Yorkshire; J. T. Hearne, Middlesex; Blythe, Kent; Hargreaves, Warwickshire; the following amateurs: H. H. F. S. Jackson, Yorkshire; B. J. Boscawen, Middlesex; and J. R. Mason, Kent. These are alone enough to uphold the honor of the English team, and I understand that Lord Hawke (captain of the Yorkshire County Club) will be in the city next week, and he happens to be one of the selection committee of the English team, and is one of the most judges of England's national reputation, I will leave it for you to discuss the prospects with him.

JOSEPH W. SPEARMAN,  
Oulton House, Southampton, April 14, 1905.

**HOCKEY.**

Will Go to Nanaimo  
The Victoria Intermediate team, under the captaincy of Winsby, expects to visit Nanaimo and play the team of the Coast City on Easter Monday.

**The Final Game**  
One more game in the British Columbia Hockey League series remains to be played between the U. G. A. and Victoria, and this has been twice postponed on account of the best players of the Garrison playing Association football for the British Columbia championship. It will be very hard to get Victoria's strongest team together at present on account of the attraction of the fishing season and general summer sports. If possible Victoria will play this final game on Good Friday at the Work Point Barracks.

**THE PLAYHOUSES.**

Today presents the final opportunities for hearing the famous D'Urbano Royal Italian Band, in conjunction with an excellent vaudeville programme, at the Victoria theatre this afternoon and evening—the great minstrel singing trio, Sylvester, Jones and Pringle, with Ted E. Box and other celebrated vaudevillians at the Grand—the Ed. Redmond Co. in "The Girl From Albany" at the Fort street playhouse—and Kalkriters, the marvelous equilibrist and hoop roller at the S. J. J. playhouse. The programmes are arranged for the fine land at the Victoria are as hereunder:

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Overture—"Foot and Peasant"; Supper Selection—"King Dodo"; Ludets  
Evening. D'Urbano  
Selection—"Il Trovatore"; Verdi  
(Sings by Sig. G. and C. di Falvio and Macrioli)  
Sextette from "Lucia"; Donizetti  
(Request Number)

**"The Marriage of Kitty"**

Mr. Max Fisman, who appears here on Monday in the dairy scene of the comedy, "The Marriage of Kitty," was, at one time, an aspirant for journalistic honors at the lowest rung of the journalistic ladder. Twenty years ago the agile and humorous Max was only a boy in Philadelphia newspaper. His ambitions were diverted and he began to study mimicry, elocution and acting, with the result that some years later he drifted on to Broadway as a comic opera comedian. During the last decade he has appeared in a wide range of parts as well as acted as stage director for many fine productions. An idea of his versatility is gained from his abrupt transition from the part of Dick Seydmore in "Little Nell and the Marchioness" to Thorwald Helmer in Ibsen's "Doll's House." Last season his characterization of Assessor Brock in Mrs. Fiske's production of "Ibsen's 'Hedda Gabler'" was remarkably alike for his conception and execution of a most complex part. Once before he has appeared as co-star with Sadie Martinot in "The Passport." Among other plays in which he has distinguished himself are "Sarah, Kraven and John," "The Voyage of Setzette," "A Misfit Marriage," "The Club Baby," "Gretchen Green," as Passaport in "Around the World in Eighty Days," and Captain Danby in the big spectacle of "Bismarck." In "The Marriage of Kitty," Mr. Fisman has a part that sets his audience in a roar almost from his first appearance and before he has spoken.

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**NEW YORK STOCKS.**

New York, April 14.—A revival of the Northern Securities settlement excitement resulted in a speculative rally on the stock exchange which spread pretty generally throughout the list; but the conspicuous fact about the day's operations was the enormous congestion in the few stocks immediately affected by the current rumors, especially Union Pacific, St. Paul, New York, and in the curb and West part of the list, with a building thereon. No. 19 Yates street. Sections 4, 5 and 2, Fairchild Farm Estate, with 9 roomed dwelling house. Terms and particulars on application. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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As a large proportion of this distribution will fill the Union Pacific treasury, that stock was held to be entitled to a corresponding advance, but with the excitement started in the market this explanation was deemed inadequate, and surmise fell back upon the supposed plan to which Union Pacific stock had been subjected. This line of conjecture led to the recovery in various stocks pointed to a desired object of acquisition of Union Pacific, but which have been dropped out of consideration for a time with the growth of speculation over the stories current. Those stories are entirely without official authority today, as at any time. The palpable fact was that the unanticipated amount of the stocks most nearly concerned passed constantly through the market all day, and the absorptive power for them seemed insatiable. The volume of transactions, and the movements of prices in the general railway list was moderate; the extent of the price movement was found not to be excessive. The volume of transactions in the industrial, especially United States Steel preferred, were inclined to move narrowly, but a long list of the minor class made advances of from one to three or four points.

The currency movement for the week gave promise of a good cash gain by the banks and offered no obstacle to the maintenance of the speculation. The irregular clearing of the market below the level of the day. Bonds were irregular; total sales per value, \$4,475,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

**Bank Clearings**

New York, April 14.—The following were the weekly bank clearings for the week ending April 13, showing percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding date last year. Montreal, \$28,200,307, increase 30.2; Toronto, \$22,883,310, increase 37.9; Winnipeg, \$5,615,507, increase 17.4; Ottawa, \$2,171,316, decrease 1.0; Halifax, \$1,007,018, decrease 40.2; Vancouver, \$1,400,500, decrease 4.3; Quebec, \$1,502,000, increase 17.5; Hamilton, \$1,233,545, increase 10.8; St. John, \$907,545, decrease 4.1; London, \$907,458, decrease 5.8; Victoria, \$550,750, decrease 14.8.

**Bradstreet's Review.**

New York, April 14.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: Canadian wholesale trade is fair; supplies to fill orders heavy. Retail business in the country, however, is set back by farming conditions. Cattle and sheep markets are heavy. Manufacturing is active and a very large year's business is in sight. The starting up of cheese and butter factories is helping country trade somewhat. Commerce is heavy. Money is being especially active. Toronto reports trade in the country quiet. Cattle are high on light receipts and col-

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As a large proportion of this distribution will fill the Union Pacific treasury, that stock was held to be entitled to a corresponding advance, but with the excitement started in the market this explanation was deemed inadequate, and surmise fell back upon the supposed plan to which Union Pacific stock had been subjected. This line of conjecture led to the recovery in various stocks pointed to a desired object of acquisition of Union Pacific, but which have been dropped out of consideration for a time with the growth of speculation over the stories current. Those stories are entirely without official authority today, as at any time. The palpable fact was that the unanticipated amount of the stocks most nearly concerned passed constantly through the market all day, and the absorptive power for them seemed insatiable. The volume of transactions, and the movements of prices in the general railway list was moderate; the extent of the price movement was found not to be excessive. The volume of transactions in the industrial, especially United States Steel preferred, were inclined to move narrowly, but a long list of the minor class made advances of from one to three or four points.

The currency movement for the week gave promise of a good cash gain by the banks and offered no obstacle to the maintenance of the speculation. The irregular clearing of the market below the level of the day. Bonds were irregular; total sales per value, \$4,475,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

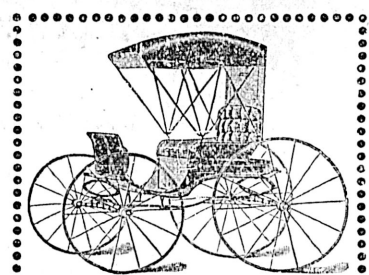
**Bank Clearings**

New York, April 14.—The following were the weekly bank clearings for the week ending April 13, showing percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding date last year. Montreal, \$28,200,307, increase 30.2; Toronto, \$22,883,310, increase 37.9; Winnipeg, \$5,615,507, increase 17.4; Ottawa, \$2,171,316, decrease 1.0; Halifax, \$1,007,018, decrease 40.2; Vancouver, \$1,400,500, decrease 4.3; Quebec, \$1,502,000, increase 17.5; Hamilton, \$1,233,545, increase 10.8; St. John, \$907,545, decrease 4.1; London, \$907,458, decrease 5.8; Victoria, \$550,750, decrease 14.8.

**Bradstreet's Review.**

New York, April 14.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: Canadian wholesale trade is fair; supplies to fill orders heavy. Retail business in the country, however, is set back by farming conditions. Cattle and sheep markets are heavy. Manufacturing is active and a very large year's business is in sight. The starting up of cheese and butter factories is helping country trade somewhat. Commerce is heavy. Money is being especially active. Toronto reports trade in the country quiet. Cattle are high on light receipts and col-

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## Commission Not Wanted

(Continued from Page One.)

ably consider a proposal at this juncture looking to the city relieving the provincial government of the expense of providing a new reserve and substantially fulfilling that portion of the agreement by which Mr. Dunsmuir was to obtain that part of the reserve south of the railway track in consideration for which the city should obtain the trusteeship or control for all time, it being understood that the city enter into an agreement with the said government insuring full and equal right to the E. & N. railway in common with all other roads that may seek entry to the port of Victoria. The discussion closed with the Premier stating that if the corporation of Victoria would submit a proposal along these lines his government would certainly give it every consideration.

A. MORLEY.

Chairman, Railroad Com.

In moving the adoption of the report, Mr. Morley thought there was now an excellent prospect of clearing up the Sontheys reserve question. The City Council should meet the government and submit a definite proposition.

The report was adopted and a committee appointed to meet the council and arrange a further step in the matter.

**Harbor Commissioners**

Re harbor commissioners, the special committee reported, suggesting that a board of harbor commissioners, with advisory powers only, would be of benefit to the port, and that commissioners with full powers would simply result in weakening the influence of this board at Ottawa.

On motion of Captain Troup, the first clause in the former report re the commission was withdrawn and the above report adopted.

Mr. Morley said that Hon. Mr. Prefontaine had assented to the proposal of harbor commissioners being appointed, and the board, without a dissenting voice, had favored proceeding, and he did not see why it should be opposed now.

Mr. Morley read, in support of his position, the following from the report of the committee on harbors and navigation, submitted on August 9, 1904: "The views of the Board of Trade are fully set forth in the report of the special committee here annexed, and in the opinion of the committee, there can be no doubt that a board of harbor commissioners, with the powers

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suggested, would add greatly in the efficient regulation of all matters connected with shipping and harbor improvement. Recent investigations have demonstrated that the system of the inspection of vessels is not as thorough as it should be in order to give adequate protection to life, and in this connection the general supervision of a board of harbor commissioners could not fail to be of value." The report was signed by John G. Cox, J. J. Shallcross and J. Simon.

Captain Troup explained that he was not present when the first report was adopted, but he did not think the scheme would be workable. It would be difficult to frame an act covering the powers of such a commission as suggested. If a commission were appointed the government would practically wash their hands of the harbor masters and this would render the system unworkable. Again, it was proposed to have steamboat inspectors; this would be an immediate conflict of jurisdiction with the government's duly appointed officials.

Mr. C. H. Lugin thought it very unfortunate that the board should be constantly changing its mind—"blowing hot today and cold tomorrow." He favored standing by the previous report of the committee.

The president read a letter from the secretary of the Board of Harbor Commissioners of Montreal, explaining that it was understood a plan was on foot to have the harbor there pass to the control of the authorities at Ottawa.

Mr. Phil. Smith thought the board, in going back on its previous action, was only "crawling" in a typical way.

Captain Troup, respecting the matter of steamboat inspection, held that the Board of Trade had ample opportunity to press successfully for the remedying of any grievances which might exist.

Mr. J. A. Mara explained that the rules of steamboat inspection were made to apply all over the Dominion and were not of any local complexion, showing the powers which it was proposed to give commissioners. He did not think it probable that five commissioners could have the same influence at Ottawa in respect to obtaining appropriations as the Board of Trade. He was of the opinion, in brief, that the present system was working satisfactorily and he could not see any need for the appointment of a commission.

Mr. Morley thought the whole discussion out of order.

The president said the members of the committee had a perfect right to explain themselves fully on the motion to adopt the report.

Mr. Morley, at some length, defended the action of the first committee. He was inclined to be suspicious respecting certain actions of the board in the matter of the appointment of harbor commissioners. In his estimation there was an undercurrent of control over the board which prevented free action on the part of the members. He did not think the board was an institution existing for the benefit of the citizens of Victoria.

The president cautioned Mr. Morley not to exceed the limits of legitimate debate.

Continuing, Mr. Morley favored the appointment of a committee to investigate the matter.

The report was adopted on a vote of 14 to 8.

Mr. Morley favored the adoption of a secret ballot, as a show of hands did not rightly express the sentiment of the board.

On the matter of a national park the special committee reported an interview with the government and the premier's reply to the effect that the matter would receive consideration.

The board then adjourned.

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## INSURANCE CONCERNS MUST REGISTER

Effect of Important Act of Legislature—Considerable Augmentation Revenue.

It sometimes happens that important measures are enacted by parliament with very scant notice. During the recent session of the legislature a bill was passed entitled an act to amend the Companies Act, 1897. Under this bill all classes of insurance companies doing business in the province are required to take out a license before July 1 next. It includes fire, life and accident insurance companies and assessment associations, of which, it is said, there are about 150 operating in British Columbia.

The license fee is fixed at \$250, so that the revenue derivable by the province from this source is expected to amount to about \$40,000.

Mr. R. L. Drury, M. P. P., provincial manager of the Mutual Life of Canada, called a reporter's attention to this act yesterday, and pointed out its important provisions, which he has previously escaped notice. Generally Mr. Drury approves the measure. The only questionable point he thinks is the amount of the license fee, which perhaps may be rather heavy.

Besides the revenue which the province will realize from the registration of these companies, the province will be indirectly benefited therefrom, in the assistance it will lend to the collection of the one per cent. tax on income to which all such organizations are subject. In the past the assessor has depended upon such information as he could personally come at in collecting this tax, and it is said has not reached all the companies doing business in the province some of which, as a consequence, have escaped taxation altogether.

When the new act comes into force the collection of the income tax will be a simple matter, as the assessor will be able to find a complete list of the companies at the registrar's office, as well as a statement showing their gross income.

Any insurance company failing to register on or before July 1, as required by the act, is subject to a penalty of \$250 for each and every day during which it subsequently carries on business. This penalty attaches not only to the company but to promoters, organizers, office bearers, managers, directors, collectors, agents, brokers, employees, or any persons whatsoever who undertake any contract of insurance on behalf of a company which has not registered according to the act.

**MR DAVIS CONCLUDES.**

Counsel for Defendant on Hopper-Dunsmuir Appeal Finishes Address

Before the Full court yesterday, in the hearing of the argument in the appeal in Hopper vs. Dunsmuir, E. P. Davis, K. C., for the defendant, completed his address. He occupied most of the forenoon in clearing up several points which had remained outside of the general address. He contended that James Dunsmuir could not be charged with misrepresenting the true condition. No such contention should have been placed on his evidence by opposing counsel. There was nothing to show that the will of 1895 was drawn up in order to deceive Mrs. Joan Dunsmuir, who was opposed to the marriage of Alexander Dunsmuir to Mrs. Wallace. Everything showed that there was an understanding between the brothers that in case either one died the property was to go to the survivor. It was a very natural thing for James to hide from his mother the arrangement by which Mrs. Alexander Dunsmuir was to get an allowance.

A. P. Laxton, K. C., opened his address at the afternoon session. He laid particular stress upon the evidence detailing conversations between Mrs. Alexander Dunsmuir and numerous witnesses in which allusion was made by the former to her desire to have an allowance. During his address, Mr. Laxton scored several strong points in favor of the case for the defendant.

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